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Seven Storm Damage Repair Projects along S.R. 116 and Highway 1 in Western Sonoma County

Caltrans is conducting highway repair work on seven projects in western Sonoma County during 2006. Workers will repair landslides and build retaining walls along the Russian River corridor on Route 116 and along Highway 1. The projects are located between Guerneville and Jenner, with one project in Bodega Bay. Five projects are on Route 116 and two are on Highway 1.

One way traffic control has been implemented a half mile east of Monte Rio and will last one year. Flagging is in place from 7am to 5pm daily in three locations: about a half mile west of and east of Duncans Mills, and in Jenner.

Having these jobs run concurrently will impact traffic along Route 116 and Highway 1, however postponing these projects could lead to further deterioration of the roadway and possible landslides during the next rainy season. These projects must be done during these months in order to comply with environmental permit constraints related to working along the Russian River.

These projects are funded by the federal government as emergency relief for storm damage repair. The total cost for the seven projects is just under \$10 million.

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